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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In the claims

A2 4. (Amended) A fibre as claimed in claim 1 and comprising:-

CaO > 19 wt%.

A3 6. (Amended) A fibre as claimed in claim 1 and comprising:-

MgO > 14.25 wt%.

A4 9. (Amended) A fibre as claimed in claim 1 and comprising:-

MgO < 16 wt%.

10. (Amended) A fibre as claimed in claim 1 and comprising:-

SiO₂ 65 +/- 0.5 wt%
CaO 20 +/- 0.5 wt%
MgO 15 +/- 0.5 wt%.

11. (Amended) A fibre as claimed in claim 1 and comprising:-

SiO₂ 64.5 – 64.7 wt%
CaO 19.5 – 20.2 wt%
MgO 15.5 – 15.6 wt%.

12. (Amended) A fibre as claimed in claim 1 and comprising:-

SiO₂ about 65 wt%
CaO about 19.5 wt%
MgO about 15.5 wt%.

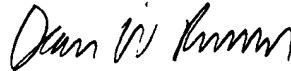
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13. (Amended) A fibre as claimed in claim 1 and consisting essentially of:-

CaO 18.7 to 20.2 wt%
MgO 14.47 to 15.9 wt%
SiO₂ 64.5 to 65.1 wt%
Al₂O₃ 0 to 0.56 wt%.

Respectfully submitted,



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